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SUBJ: GREEK VIEWS ON ANNOUNCEMENT OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO
GREECE AND TURKEY

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1. GREEK OPINION IS STILL DIGESTING REPORTS OF THE NEWLY
ANNOUNCED U.S. POLICY ON ARMS ASSISTANCE TO GREECE AND
TURKEY. THE GOVERNMENT IS WITHHOLDING ALL SUBSTANTIVE
COMMENT; THE OPPOSITION HAS YET TO MAKE ANY COMMENT;
AND THE PRESS, GENERALLY, IS REPORTING FACTUALLY AND IN
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2. CARRIED ALONG BY REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON AND ANKARA,
THE PRESS IS PUTTING MORE INFORMATION BEFORE THE GREEK
PUBLIC ON THE ACTUAL NATURE OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S
PROPOSALS. REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON HAVE QUOTED
EXTENSIVELY ADMINISTRATION PRESENTATIONS IN DEFENSE

OF THE TOTAL ASSISTANCE PACKAGE. IN THE PROCESS, THE ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION ON THE TURKISH DCA IS GETTING GREATER ATTENTION AS ARE REPORTS OF REPONSES IN TURKEY TO THE U.S.POLICY WITH NEGATIVE TURKISH REPONSES RECEIVING SOMEWHAT GREATER ATTENTION. AT THE SAME TIME, THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF REPORTINT FROM WASHINGTON OF CRITICAL RESPONSES IN CONGRESS AND BY THE GREEK-AMERICAN COMMUNITY TO THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSALS FOR ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY.

3. THE ONLY GOG PUBLIC COMMENT HAS COME FROM "OFFICIAL CIRCLES" WHO HAVE REPORTEDLY STATED THAT "THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING ALL THAT IS NECESSARY TO SAFEGUARD THE NATIONAL INTEREST." KUBISCH

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